

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Board of Scientific Counselors for Clinical Sciences and Epidemiology, National Cancer Institute

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1. Department or Agency

Department of Health and Human Services

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Board of Scientific Counselors for Clinical Sciences and
Epidemiology, National Cancer Institute

3b. GSA

Committee No.

86

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

09/30/1994

6. Expected Renewal Date

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority

Authorized by Law

12. Specific Establishment Authority

42 U.S.C. 284(c)(3)

13. Effective Date

11/04/1988

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

Other Committee

16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this
Fiscal Year

17a. Open Meetings and Dates 0 17b. Closed Meetings and Dates 3 17c. Partially Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17d. Total Meetings and Dates 3

Purpose

Peer Review of Intramural Laboratories/Programs

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Start

11/13/2017

03/13/2018

07/09/2018

End

- 11/13/2017

- 03/13/2018

- 07/09/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 3

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$454,570.00	\$463,207.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$42,300.00	\$42,300.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$62,517.00	\$63,255.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00

18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members

18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members

18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$92,245.00	\$93,212.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$13,045.00	\$13,306.00
18d. Total	\$688,677.00	\$699,280.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	2.80	2.80

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

This committee is composed of recognized biomedical and/or behavioral research authorities who represent the forefront of research and technical knowledge and who provide evaluation and peer review of Institute laboratories and staff scientists in the Center for Cancer Research and the Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Board consists of up to thirty members, including the Chair, appointed by the Director, NCI, from authorities knowledgeable in the fields of laboratory, clinical and biometric research; clinical cancer treatment; cancer etiology; cancer prevention and control with emphasis on training and experience in the various disciplines and fields related to scientific areas relevant to carcinogenesis; cancer biology and diagnosis; cancer center administration; medicine; radiological and surgical oncology; cancer chemotherapy; cancer epidemiology, genetics, genomics, and related areas; cancer education; cancer information services; community outreach; biological, chemical and physical carcinogenesis; DNA repair; tumor biology and immunology; humoral and cellular immunity; hematopoiesis; cell differentiation and transformation; oncogenes and growth factors; molecular and structural biology; genetic regulation; cell signaling; viral oncology; vaccine development; transplantation; clinical trial design, management and evaluation; pharmacology; drug development and developmental therapeutics; proteomics; genetic and immunotherapies; pathology; diagnostic research and cytogenetics; biological response modifiers; imaging; nutrition; survey research; epidemiology; biostatistics; statistics; rehabilitation; psychology and behavioral medicine; public health and community oncology; quality of life; pain management; cancer detection and diagnosis; cancer treatment and restorative care; dentistry; nursing; public health; education of health professionals; medical oncology; surgery; radiotherapy; gynecologic oncology; and pediatric oncology.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Board meets approximately three times each fiscal year. The Board met on November 13, 2017, March 13, 2018, and July 9, 2018 for the overall program review of all Laboratories and Branches. Special site visit teams met eight times to review and evaluate the program of individual laboratories and branches and advise on budget, staffing, and program strengths and weaknesses. Site Visit Dates: 10/12-13/2017,

11/1-3/2017, 3/13-14/2018, 3/13/2018, 5/2-4/2018, 5/16-18/2018, 6/4-6/2018, and 7/18-19/2018.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Board is composed of recognized biomedical and behavioral research authorities from outside the NIH in order to secure unbiased and objective evaluations of intramural research programs. Their recommendations are invaluable because the complex nature of research in each laboratory requires a unique balance and breadth of expertise not available at NIH or from other established sources. This advice is essential for effective management of this Institute's intramural research programs.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

The meetings of this Board were closed to the public for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual programs and projects conducted by the Divisions including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, the competence of individual investigators, and similar items, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Section 552b(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act permits the closing of meetings where discussions could reveal personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

21. Remarks

Committee Function: Other - Scientific and Technical Peer Review. Reports: This committee did not produce any public reports. Members: The term for John Dipersio changed due to an administrative extension. Rapheal Pollock's term ended on 10/25/17. As such, their term of service end date is different than what was reported on the FY17 ACR. Costs: The increase in operating costs for FY18 was due to an increase in the number of site visits held. The DFO and Committee Decision Maker positions are held by the same individual because of the assignment of responsibilities within the Institute.

Designated Federal Officer

Mehrdad M. Tondravi Chief, Institute Review Office, NCI

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
BERNSTEIN, JONINE	12/30/2012	01/31/2018	ATTENDING EPIDEMIOLOGIST	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
BETENSKY, REBECCA	10/01/2017	07/31/2021	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
BURING, JULIE	12/10/2014	07/31/2019	PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
CAMP, NICOLA	01/07/2014	07/31/2018	PROFESSOR OF GENETIC EPIDEMIOLOGY AND HUMAN GENETICS	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

CARPTEN, JOHN	10/01/2017	07/31/2021	PROFESSOR AND CHAIR, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSLATIONAL GENOMICS	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
CASEY, GRAHAM	04/21/2015	07/31/2019	PROFESSOR, CENTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH GENOMICS	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
COHN, SUSAN	02/11/2013	01/31/2018	DIRECTOR OF PEDIATRIC CLINICAL SCIENCES AND PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
DIPERSIO, JOHN	03/06/2014	11/30/2018	VIRGINIA E. AND SAMUEL J. GOLMAN PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
DUBOIS, RAYMOND	04/01/2018	07/31/2021	DEAN, COLLEGE OF MEDICINE	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
ELENITOBA-JOHNSON, KOJO	01/28/2014	07/31/2018	PROFESSOR OF PATHOLOGY AND LABORATORY MEDICINE	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
FONTHAM, ELIZABETH	10/08/2014	07/31/2019	FOUNDING DEAN AND PROFESSOR EMERITUS	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
FREEMAN, MICHAEL	10/22/2013	07/31/2018	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
GOODMAN, NANCY	09/27/2013	07/31/2018	FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
HAMMER, GARY	05/01/2016	07/31/2020	MILLIE SCHEMBECHLER PROFESSOR OF ADRENAL CANCER	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
LORUSSO, PATRICIA	06/26/2016	07/31/2020	ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
NORRIS, DAVID	12/12/2013	07/31/2018	PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
PEREZ-SOLER, ROMAN	08/21/2016	07/31/2020	PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
POLLOCK, RAPHAEL	12/18/2011	10/25/2017	PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
QUINONES-HINOJOSA, ALFREDO	06/25/2015	07/31/2019	WILLIAM J. AND CHARLES H. MAYO PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
RICH, JEREMY	12/30/2012	01/31/2018	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SARTOR, A.	11/07/2014	07/31/2019	MEDICAL DIRECTOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SCHILLER, JOAN	06/26/2016	07/31/2020	DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR CLINICAL INVESTIGATION	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SCHWARTZ, STEPHEN	05/31/2016	07/31/2020	MEMBER, PROGRAM IN EPIDEMIOLOGY	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SONDAK, VERNON	10/01/2017	07/31/2021	CHAIR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
STADLER, WALTER	04/21/2013	01/31/2018	FRED C. BUFFETT PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
SUN, REN	05/31/2016	07/31/2020	PROFESSOR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
TOMLINSON, GAIL	10/01/2017	07/31/2021	PROFESSOR OF PEDIATRICS	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
VERNON, SALLY	05/01/2016	07/31/2020	CHAIR, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROMOTION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
WEINER, LOUIS	08/01/2013	07/31/2018	DIRECTOR, LOMBARDI COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 29

Narrative Description

The goal of NIH research is to acquire new knowledge to help prevent, detect, diagnose,

and treat disease and disability, from the rarest genetic disorder to the common cold. The NIH mission is to uncover new knowledge that will lead to better health for everyone. NIH works toward that mission by conducting research in its own laboratories. Section 402(b)(3) of the Public Health Service Act states that the Director, NIH...shall assure that research at...the National Institutes of Health is subject to review in accordance with section 492. Section 492(b) states that the Director of NIH shall establish procedures for periodic technical and scientific peer review of research at the National Institutes of Health. This board assesses the quality of the Institute intramural research programs and evaluates the productivity and performance of staff scientists; necessary functions for the operation of a highly effective intramural research program.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| Improvements to health or safety | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Trust in government | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Major policy changes | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Advance in scientific research | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Effective grant making | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Improved service delivery | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Unable to Determine | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$100,000 - \$500,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Over \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cost Savings Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Cost Savings Comments

NIH supported basic and clinical research accomplishments often take many years to unfold into new diagnostic tests and new ways to treat and prevent diseases.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

316

Number of Recommendations Comments

All the Laboratories/Branches site visited in this fiscal year were either continued, expanded or closed.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

90%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The percentage of recommendations implemented as stated above was developed at the time the Annual Comprehensive Review report was prepared. Additional information is available through the RePORT (Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tool) website. RePORT provides access to reports, data, and analyses of NIH research activities that advance the mission of the NIH, including information on NIH expenditures, strategic plans, reports on NIH funding, and reports on the organization and people involved in NIH research and research training. The RePORT website is located at <http://report.nih.gov>.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

10%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

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Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

The Division Director provides a follow-up report to the Board for every Lab/Branch/Principal Investigator that was site visited in the fiscal year and the specific action taken as a result of the Board recommendations.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

The Scientific Director and other NIH/NCI officials use the recommendations made by the BSC in evaluating the quality of the intramural research programs including scientific priorities and resources available. As a result, all the Laboratories/Branches site visited in this fiscal year were either continued, expanded or closed.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

N/A